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Secretary of the Federal Communications Commission
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Re: Mass Media Docket 99-25

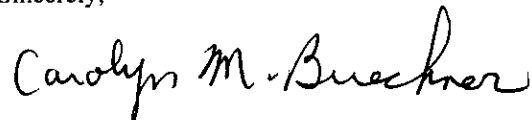
Dear Secretary:

I am writing to comment on the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking that would permit individuals to own low power microstations. I am very much in favor of this proposal because if it were adopted it might be possible for me to own a radio station. I would like to own a station that broadcasts contemporary Christian music. Although there is a station that plays contemporary Christian music in Houston, the programming, like that of similar Christian music stations in other cities, is focused on newer music. My station would play a broad variety of the most popular songs from the entire period contemporary Christian music has been in existence.

My understanding is that the primary objection to this proposal is that the new stations' signals would interfere with the signals owned by existing stations. I would like to point out that current rules permit existing stations to broadcast on translator stations. I believe that if translator stations can operate without causing interference, microstations should also be able to operate without causing interference. KSBJ, the Houston station that plays contemporary Christian music, broadcasts on numerous translator stations in cities close to Houston without interfering with other stations' signals.

If approved, the new rules would provide many people like myself with the opportunity to own a radio station who otherwise would be unable to afford the cost of purchasing one. In addition, they would increase the variety of programming available and serve people who currently do not listen to radio. Finally, they would provide an outlet for advertising for many small businesses who currently cannot afford to advertise on radio or television.

Sincerely,



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